WHEREAS, in 1976, the United Nations General Assembly, recognizing that the outcomes of the world's children for a quality life are urgent and deserving, passed a resolution proclaiming 1979 the International Year of the Child; and

WHEREAS, the President of these United States did declare this nation's commitment to the idea that children represent the cornerstone of the world's heritage, therefore, established the National Commission on the International Year of the Child to join in an effort to resolve the problems and needs of all children; and

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina accepts its responsibility to exert every public and private effort toward effectively providing the best possible opportunities for its children and for the full development of every child while recognizing the need to strengthen the family unit; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Carolina have expressed a deep concern for our children and a desire to be one of the voices heard around the world in celebration of the International Year of the Child;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD W. RILEY, Governor of the State of South Carolina, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, do hereby issue the following order:

In order to demonstrate a concerned effort in celebration of the International Year of the Child, I do hereby establish a Statewide Committee on the International Year of the Child,
which shall be comprised of a balanced combination of: (a) professional people in various disciplines; (b) public officials having responsibility in the general area of children and family services; and (c) citizens who have an interest in celebrating the International Year of the Child. The membership of the Statewide Committee on the International Year of the Child shall not exceed twenty-five (25), excluding any volunteer task force which may be required.

The primary function of the Statewide Committee on the International Year of the Child is to initiate, implement and encourage statewide activities which are in keeping with the International Year of the Child at the community, regional, and state levels.

FURTHERMORE, I do hereby appoint The Honorable Parker H. Evatt as Chairperson of the Statewide Committee on the International Year of the Child.

FURTHERMORE, I do hereby appoint Ann Y. Fulley as Honorary Chairperson of the Statewide Committee on the International Year of the Child.

FURTHERMORE, I do hereby establish an Executive Steering Committee to be appointed by the Governor which shall be composed of five (5) members including the Statewide Coordinator for the International Year of the Child. The members of the Executive Steering Committee shall lend assistance to the Chairperson of the Statewide Committee on the International Year of the Child in the process of establishing directions for the celebration of the International Year of the Child in the State of South Carolina.

THEREBY, in issuing this order, the Office of the Governor, Office of Executive Policy and Programs, shall lend assistance and cooperation to our citizens throughout the State by coordinating this the International Year of the Child for the State of South Carolina. I call upon all applicable
public and private agencies and concerned citizens to cooperate with and assist the Office of Executive Policy and Programs in achieving the goals of the International Year of the Child.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this 22 nd day of February, 1979.

RICHARD W. RILEY
Governor

ATTEST:

JOHN T. CAMPBELL
Secretary of State